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AUGUST 19, 1994 AT 1400 HOURS

(C) FRENCH CONFIRM AUGUST 21 WITHDRAWAL: SENIOR QUAI AND ELYSEE CONTACTS CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY PARIS THAT THE FRENCH TROOP WITHDRAWAL FROM THE HUMANITARIAN ZONE REMAINS ON TRACK FOR AUGUST 21. FOREIGN MINISTER JUPPE IS TO MAKE A TELEVISED STATEMENT TO THAT EFFECT LATER IN THE EVENING.

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(LOU) DESPITE PRESS REPORTS, ZAIRE BORDER STILL OPEN: SOME AUGUST 19 PRESS REPORTS INDICATED THAT ZAIRE HAD CLOSED ITS BORDER WITH RWANDA, PERMITTING RWANDANS TO LEAVE BUT NOT TO ENTER ZAIRE. HOWEVER, U.S.G. SOURCES CONFIRMED THAT THE BORDER REMAINED OPEN, WITH A SLIGHT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF REFUGEES CROSSING -- NOW ABOUT 10,000 PER DAY. (FBIS ABIDJAN 1908171394)

- (LOU) BURUNDI PARLIAMENTARIAN ASSASSINATED: A MEMBER OF THE HUTU-DOMINATED FRODEBU PARTY WAS ASSASSINATED IN BUJUMBURA THIS AFTERNOON. EMBASSY BUJUMBURA IS DEVELOPING FURTHER DETAILS ON THE INCIDENT. (8/19 KRUEGER/AISTON TELCON)
- (C) NEW NEGOTIATING POSITIONS IN BUJUMBURA: THE GOVERNMENT COALITION HAS PRESENTED ITS LATEST NEGOTIATING POSITION AT TALKS ON PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION IN BURUNDI. THE PROPOSAL CALLS FOR AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT TO RULE FOR FOUR YEARS, A PUBLIC INVESTIGATION INTO THE EVENTS FOLLOWING THE OCTOBER 1993 COUP, THE DISARMING OF CIVILIANS, AND DISMANTLING OF MILITIAS. THE OPPOSITION IS SEEKING A STRENGTHENED ROLE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER AND CREATION OF A NATIONAL COUNCIL TO SET BROAD POLICIES AND

UNCLASSIFIED (BUJUMBURA 2812).

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